

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 10, TITLE 3, SECTIONS 231 AND 234 OF THE CODE IN RELATION TO GRAND JURORS, AND GIVE THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS THE RIGHT TO DISTRICT THEIR COUNTIES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That chapter 10, title 3, sections 231 and 234 of the Code in relation to grand jurors be repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof :

SEC. 2. The number of grand jurors shall be five and each county shall be districted by the county supervisors at their regular meeting in January into five districts, and one shall be chosen from each district.

SEC. 3. And there shall be five jury lists annually made consisting of five persons from each grand jury district who shall be competent and liable to serve as jurors, from which to select, for the year commencing on the first of January.

SEC. 4. That section 4256 of the Code be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof :

Sec. 4256. At a term of court at which grand jurors are required to appear, the panel shall be called, and the names of the grand jurors who shall appear shall be entered on the record. If five grand jurors do not appear, or if the number appearing be reduced from any cause, either then or afterward, to less than five, the court may order the sheriff of the county to summon a sufficient number of qualified persons to complete the panel.

SEC. 5. That section 4291 of the Code be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof :

Sec. 4291. An indictment cannot be found without the concurrence of five grand jurors ; and when so found, it must be endorsed, " A true bill," and the endorsement must be signed by the foreman of the grand jury.